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## NOTIFICATION OF LOSS OF ENTITLEMENT TO SMALL ENTITY STATUS PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.27(g)(2)

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Sir:

Applicant hereby notifies the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office that it is no longer entitled to status as a small entity and that the claim for small entity status filed in the present patent, U.S. Patent No. 7,111,768, issued September 26, 2006, is hereby withdrawn.

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